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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

In order to place the above-identified application in better condition for
examination, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please substitute the following amended claims for corresponding claims
previously presented. A copy of the amended claims showing current revisions is
attached.

4. (Amended) A process according to claim 1 wherein the combination of NMR
spectroscopy and a computer-based pattern recognition technique comprises:

- (a) submitting the test solution or test extract to NMR spectroscopy and
recording one or more NMR spectra; and

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